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NASHVILL TENNESSEAN ENDORSED TAX LAW IN 1919—LOUDLY PRAISED LAW.

In the long indictment the Tennessean of Tuesday morning brought against Gov. Roberts, charging him with sundry violations of the law, the first count read as follows:

"The Tennessean believes that Gov. Roberts violated the law when he suspended the operation of his tax law so that it would not go into effect in 1919, as the law specifically required."

The best answer that can be made to this charge probably is an editorial article from the Tennessean's own columns published March 23, 1919. It was headed, "Tax Equalization," and the article is reproduced below:

"The report of the State Board of Equalization to the effect that a re-equalization of the tax assessments for 1919 has been found to be a 'task of such magnitude as to render it practically impossible of accomplishment within the time fixed by the act of the last Legislature, Oct. 1, 1919, is not surprising to those familiar with tax conditions and methods of assessment heretofore in vogue in Tennessee.'"

"Sound reasons are given by the State Board for arriving at this conclusion. Inasmuch as the act left the re-equalization of the 1919 assessment within the discretion of the State Board as to the basis to be used for that year, it is but the part of wisdom to proceed with the new assessment for 1920 with judgement based upon proofs and statistics already begun and remaining to be gathered in a careful and a systematic manner. Such a course will save great expense the State incident to a needless rush in an attempt to accomplish the impossible within a too brief a period. Accuracy and a sound basis of assessment will bring better results to the State and to the taxpayers."

"The report to the State Board leaves no question as to its diligence in getting started upon its task of making the new assessments."

"It is encouraging to the honest taxpayers of the State to note from the report that the statistics already gathered and proofs taken by the State Board and its agencies those who are not paying their just share of, or who are escaping taxation altogether will be brought to light and made to deal honestly with their state and their fellow citizens in the future; that thereby when the new assessment is completed for 1920, more than double the amount of taxable property will be uncovered and that while there will be no material change in the amount of taxes now being paid by the honest taxpayers, this uncovering of property, both real and personal, will place Tennessee in her proper rank with her sister states, to participate with them in any distribution of benefits that are really due or may become due her by reason of her per capita wealth."

How is the public to trust or believe a time-serving paper that gets first on one side of a question and then on the other, as the political exigencies of the publisher may demand?

A little more than a year ago, and a long time after the assessment law had been put on the statute books, the Tennessean was sounding its praises.—Nashville Banner.

WIN AGAIN WITH WELCH.



George N. Welch

Candidate

For the Democratic Nomination For a 2nd Term as the MIDDLE TENNESSEE MEMBER OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION

SUGAR CREEK.

Health is very good at present writing.

We have had nice rains and crops are looking fine.

Major Fann and wife spent Saturday night at Charley Lynn.

Born, to Morgan Murphy and wife, July 14th, a fine girl.

A. J. Murphy made a trip to Kentucky last week to see his brother, J. B. Murphy. They had not seen each other in 35 years.

Agnes Murphy visited her uncle near Livingston last week. Her cousin accompanied her home.

Sim Barlow and wife spent Sunday with A. J. Murphy and family.

Mrs. Turney Bybee spent Monday with Morgan Murphy.

GAINESBORO R. 1.

Health in this community is very good at present.

Berry picking and corn chopping is the order of the day.

Joe Frye and wife, of Bloomington, spent the latter part of last week with Mr. Frye's sisters, Mrs. Newt Warren and Mrs. Geo. Wiley.

The protracted meeting begun on Morrison's creek Sunday, July 11, with a large crowd in attendance.

Mattie and Annie B. Hix, were guests of Naomi and Bessie Hanner, Sunday.

Charlie Maxwell and wife spent Sunday night with G. A. Dudley and family.

Newt Warren and wife and Mrs. Ethel Hooten and children spent Sunday with Geo. Hix and wife.

Cluer and Comer Hix attended church on Morrison's creek.

Some good showers fell in this section recently, which were badly needed.

William Hensely and family of Sparta, Jeff Loftis and family and John Gentry and family of Cookeville, spent the latter part of last week with Henry Mabry and wife.

Dow Loftis and Thomas Chaffin were pleasant guests of George Hix, Sunday.

Laurene Mayberry of Cookeville is visiting her grandparents, Henry Maberry and wife.

Some of our farmers are threshing wheat.

Mrs. Alex Allen of near Wood-

63 1-3 Cents Levy Under New Assessment Will Raise More Revenue Than \$2.33 Under Old Assessment.

To show what rate of taxes on the various state and county funds should be for 1920, the following comparison with the 1919 tax levy is made.

The tax levy for Jackson County for the year 1920, with the valuation of the property assessed at \$1,904,925, was as follows:

State	35c (35c)	\$6,666.88
Ordinary County	33c	6,285.93
Poor House	7c	1,333.38
Ordinary Roads	12c	2,285.79
Good Roads	60c	11,428.95
Common Schools	40c (15c)	7,619.30
High Schools	15c (5c)	2,857.24
Rural Schools	05c (05c)	952.42
State University	05c (05c)	952.42
State Highway	10c (10c)	1,904.82
Rural Schools	05c	952.42
Jail	06c	1,142.89
Total Tax Levy	\$2.33 (75c)	Total revenue raised \$44,382.44

The above figures in () parentheses is that part of the levy made by the State, and constitutes the State levy of 75c.

For the year 1920 on the valuation as fixed by the County Equalization Board, which is \$7,220,350, and the state rate for all purposes fixed at 25c, which will bring more money for state purposes, and a rate for all other funds to bring practically the same revenue as for the year 1919, the rate for the different funds would be as follows:

State	11 2/3c (11 2/3c)	\$8,423.33
Ordinary County	08.7c	6,281.40
Poor House	01.9c	1,371.80
Ordinary Road	03.2c	2,310.40
Good Roads	16c	11,552.00
Common Schools	10.6c (5)	7,653.20
High Schools	04c (1 2/3c)	2,888.00
Rural Schools	1 1/8c (1 2/3c)	1,203.33
State University	01 2/3c (1 2/3c)	1,203.33
State Highway	03 1/3c (1 1/3c)	2,406.66
Rural Schools	01.3c	938.60
Total Tax Levy	64 1/3c (25c)	Total revenue \$46,232.05

Any tax payer can ascertain what his taxes will be for 1920 by seeing what their property is assessed at under the new law, and applying the above rate of 64 1/3 cents to the \$100. By doing this you will be convinced that the present assessment law is just to every citizen.

Very few will pay a small amount taxes more than heretofore. The majority, who have been paying more than their proportion of taxes will fine their taxes less.

row, is visiting her parents, Palo Hanner and wife.

(Note—This letter reached us too late for publication last week. News letters must reach the office by Tuesday. If received later must go over until the next week or consigned to the waste basket—Editor.)

COOKEVILLE R. 7.

Health common. Joseph Henly and child are no better.

Ben A. Fox visited his sister on Morrison creek last week.

Jim Stout was here in the interest of his race for trustee.

Frank McDaniels and family have moved to a mill set on the mountains.

Vint Dailey and others have gone to Kansas.

Mrs. Levy Stewart was very poorly last week.

J. D. Hix and wife visited relatives here Saturday night.

J. J. Carrington was in Sourwood, Saturday on business.

Jim Turner and wife visited Mrs. Rosco Williamson at Cookeville recently.

Amos Maberry made a busi-

ness trip to Blackburn Fork.

O. F. Wasson and W. A. Gentry are building a telephone line into Dotson Branch. The Company has three new boxes for sale.

Authur Warren has joined the Dotson Branch Telephone.

Born to Mr and Mrs Leon Gentry, one day last week, a son.

J. Carrington, Jim Gentry and Drury Smith caught a nice lot of fish Saturday.

Willis Martin and wife visited Amos Maberry and wife recently.

Crops are looking good in this section. Fruit is plentiful.

Whitson Smith, our genial horse swaper was here last week.

STRAYED:—From my place on Sunday June 20th, one small red hound dog, with scar on right hip and flank. Liberal reward for his return. Any information as to his whereabouts will be greatly appreciated. —Fowler Taylor, Whitleyville.

FOR SALE—Good second hand rubber tire buggy and harness. Will sell cheap. See me at once. Ernest Tinsley, Gainesboro.

Sumner County Farm For Sale

52 acres, 2 1/2 miles west of Gallatin on Lock No. 4 road, 1 mile from Nashville pike and Inter-urban Railway. Piked road runs by the house and is on R. F. D., and telephone line. 17 acres first class creek bottom, balance first-class up land. About 35 acres in cultivation, balance in pasture. Place is well fenced and has an abundance of stock water. 1 good small house, cistern and well in yard, good barn and outbuildings. Some of the finest burley tobacco in this county is now being grown on this farm. This is an ideal location and convenient to the Gallatin and Nashville markets. Price \$11,000.00.

G. C. Brown, Gallatin, Tenn., R-2

BIG BOTTOM.

Everybody is almost thru with their work.

The meeting closed at this place Sunday.

Alice and Thomas Scantland, Lillie Warren and Harlin Loftis visited at this place recently.

Mai and John McCain Lella Heady of Stone, visited at this place recently.

Luther Roddy, wife and children visited Mrs. Verda Hall last week.

Amos Smith, wife and children visited relatives and friends at this place Saturday and Sunday.

Dow Lamb, wife and daughter and Vera Lamb and Minnie and Buford Smith visited here last week.

Abbye Spaskman of Gainesboro visited Cleo Bailey, Sunday.

Gladdys Cherry and Lela Stone of Stone, were week-end guests of relatives here.

Charlie Mercer and Hiram Crabtree went to Free State, Saturday.

Cora Wilson, Ella and Ben Murry are visiting Mrs. Andy Moss.

Vallie Allen visited Iva Rogers recently.

Melvin Allen wife and children are visiting Herman Bailey.

Mrs. Rosco Moore and children of Spivey are visiting her sister, Mrs. Bedford Rogers.

Bessie Cherry is visiting her sister, Mrs. Herman Bailey.

Walter Bailey was a pleasant caller at Tomy Langford.

Bethel Cherry of Spivey is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Hall Mayton. Geo Garrison is visiting friends here.

Hobson Dale is visiting here. Ailne and Leona Langford spent Friday night with Bessie Verda, Zelma and Mai spivey attended the meeting here.

Hello! Letcher Bailey of Gainesboro, why havn't you been up to the meeting? Some one has been disappointed.

Fate Bailey and family of Texas, are visiting his mother here.

Harry Bailey is on the sick list.

Oliver McGlasson is improving. Henry Smith and family visited Mrs. parents recently.

Bessie Cherry entertained a crowd of young people Saturday evening.

Thomas Scantland, Morgan and Harlen Loftis and Vanus Hall attended the protracted meeting here.

Lillian and Andrew Flynn, Bessie Hall, Preston Crowder and Hobson Dale spent Sunday night with Cleo Bailey.

BIG MYER FARM AT CARTHAGE TO BE SOLD AT AUCTION, MONDAY, AUGUST 2.

W. T. Myer, Carthage, Tenn., has retired from business and is offering his fine 490 acre farm on very liberal terms.

This is one of the finest farms in the state.

Mr. Myer has cut it up into small tracts and offers such advantageous terms that any hard working, honest man can easily make the land pay for itself.

See the advertisement in this issue of the Sentinel.

MEAGSVILLE.

We are having some ideal weather at present.

Lillie Warren and Guy Rogers spent Sunday at Scant Hall's.

Mrs. Bill Moss was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Eston Spivey.

Mrs. Sissie Loftis' old family mare died last week at the age of 30 years.

Mrs. Jennie Myers of Gallatin, is visiting here.

Elna and Inez Hamilton visited Alice Scantland recently.

Agnes Murphy has returned from Livingston, where she has been visiting relatives. She was accompanied home by her cousin Miss Bertie Livingston.

Preston Crowder of Gainesboro R-4, was the recent guest of Andrew Flynn.

Comer Whitaker and wife were the week-end guests of her father, Wheeler Cherry, near Livingston.

Morgan and Harlin Loftis and Thomas Scantland went to Big Bottom, Sunday. They say there is no place like it. I think its a fine place too.

Marion and Sam Haile have been visiting Basil Hall.

Mrs. Marion Harris is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank Haile, at Flynns Lick.

Barlow Bybee and family were recent guests of his mother, Mrs. Lucy Bybee.

Mrs. Joe Whitaker and son, Charlie, spent Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. Turney Bybee.

Miss Lottie Harley of Cookeville, spent Friday night with Ruby and Sarah Whitaker.

W B Cherry and wife went to Big Bottom, Sunday

To The Voters of Jackson Co.

Two years ago you honored me by selecting me for the office of sheriff of your county.

Since I entered upon the duties of this office I have done all in my power to make you an efficient officer, and, have tried, so far as possible, to do the work myself. Whether I have served you honestly and faithfully, you are to say.

I seek re-election if my record justifies it. If that record does not justify my re-election I dont want it.

Should be glad to see you in person before the election, but attending to the duties imposed upon me by law makes this impossible, and hence my reason for this statement.

If you decide to again honor me by giving me an endorsement, I shall be indeed grateful for your support and influence.

Your obedient servant,

J. M. Spurlock